# 2018 Current Fiscal Year Report: Region I Small Business Regulatory Fairness Board

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1. Department or Agency 2. Fiscal Year

Small Business Administration 2018

3. Committee or Subcommittee 3b. GSA Committee No.

Region I Small Business Regulatory Fairness Board 2209

4. Is this New During Fiscal 5. Current 6. Expected Renewal 7. Expected Term

Year? Charter Date Date

No 01/29/2018 01/29/2020

8a. Was Terminated During 8b. Specific Termination 8c. Actual Term

FiscalYear? Authority Date

No P.L. 101-121

9. Agency Recommendation for Next10a. Legislation Req to 10b. Legislation

FiscalYear Terminate? Pending?

Continue No Not Applicable

**11. Establishment Authority** Statutory (Congress Created)

13. Effective 14. Committee 14c.

12. Specific Establishment Authority

Date Type Presidential?

No

Section 30(c) of the Small Business Act (15

U.S.C. 657(c)) 03/29/1996 Continuing

**15. Description of Committee** Non Scientific Program Advisory Board

**16a. Total Number of** No Reports for this

**Reports** FiscalYear

17a. Open 0 17b. Closed 0 17c. Partially Closed 0 Other Activities 0 17d. Total 0

**Meetings and Dates** 

No Meetings

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$4,000.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$0.00	\$0.00

### 19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)

### 20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The Board may be invited to join the Ombudsman at Regional Regulatory Fairness Roundtables and public hearings to hear from small businesses on their experiences with enforcement or compliance challenges with Federal agencies. Additionally the Board, through the National Ombudsman, hears from Federal agency representatives and surfaces regulatory concerns of small businesses to Federal agencies.

### 20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

The Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996 (SBREFA) requires that the Board consist of 5 members, who are owners or operators of small businesses. Not more than 3 members shall be from the same political party. Executive Branch and Congressional employees are precluded from membership.

### 20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

The Regional Regulatory Fairness Boards convene an Annual Meeting once a year. Additionally, the Board holds at least one public hearing per year to hear from small businesses and trade associations. The hearing may take place in Washington DC or other regions across the Nation. Board Members may participate in roundtables and hearings held in their respective regions. The Board Member also participates in conference calls with the National Ombudsman periodically.

## 20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

The Boards' advisory functions are mandated by SBREFA. The Boards listen to small businesses within their respective regions, assess the enforcement and compliance actions taken by Federal agencies, and makes recommendations to create a more favorable regulatory climate for small businesses to grow and thrive.

**20e.** Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings? All meetings are open to the public and are advertised in the Federal Register.

#### 21. Remarks

ONO's performance measures did not change from FY17 to FY18.

### **Designated Federal Officer**

Mina A Wales Deputy National Ombudsman

Mayers, Juliette	07/20/2015	07/20/2018	Inspiration Zone LLC	Representative Member
Osgood, Deborah	07/21/2016	07/21/2019	Knowledge Institute	Representative Member
Snow, Richard	01/17/2018	01/17/2021	Maine Indoor Karting	Representative Member
Traub, Wendy	09/07/2018	09/07/2021	Hemlock Directional	Representative Member

**Number of Committee Members Listed: 4** 

### **Narrative Description**

The Board meets periodically to discuss concerns regarding unfair Federal regulation enforcement actions taken against small businesses.

What are the most significant program outcomes associate	ed with this committee?
	Checked if Applies
Improvements to health or safety	
Trust in government	✓
Major policy changes	
Advance in scientific research	
Effective grant making	
Improved service delivery	✓
Increased customer satisfaction	✓
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	✓
Other	
Outcome Comments	
N/A	
What are the cost savings associated with this committee?	?
_	Checked if Applies
None	✓
Unable to Determine	
Under \$100,000	
\$100,000 - \$500,000	
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	
Over \$10,000,000	
Cost Savings Other	

## **Cost Savings Comments**

N/A

What is the approximate <u>Number</u> of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?  37	
Number of Recommendations Comments  1. Several recommendations came with costs that need to be evaluated and require additional funding above the FY18 budget authorized for ONO.2. Several recommendations fell outside the scope of ONO's authority. ONO is continuing to share those recommendations with Program Offices with jurisdictional authority over those matters.3. Several recommendations require Board members to initiate action.4. ONO is continuing to evaluate recommendations to determine their feasibility.	
What is the approximate <u>Percentage</u> of these recommendations that have been or will be <u>Fully</u> implemented by the agency?	
% of Recommendations <u>Fully</u> Implemented Comments N/A	
What is the approximate <u>Percentage</u> of these recommendations that have been or will be <u>Partially</u> implemented by the agency?	
% of Recommendations <u>Partially</u> Implemented Comments N/A	
Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?  Yes № No Not Applicable	
Agency Feedback Comments n/a	
What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?	
Checked if Applies	
Reorganized Priorities	
Reallocated resources	
Issued new regulation	

Proposed legislation	
Approved grants or other payments	
Other	
Action Comments	
N/A	
Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?	
No	
Grant Review Comments	
N/A	
How is access provided to the information for the Committee's doc	umentation?
	Checked if Applies
Contact DFO	✓
Online Agency Web Site	✓
Online Committee Web Site	
Online GSA FACA Web Site	
Publications	
Other	
Access Comments	
Access Comments N/A	